(b) what percentage of the backlog has been cleared by the various State Governmentj (State-wise) stating the total number of vacancies reserved for SC|ST filled up dass wise]category-wise at the end of 1988-89 as compared to the reserved vacancies filled up during 1987-88 stating the reasons for the unsatisfactory progress; if any in this regard; and

(c) what is the total backlog, both in the Central and State Sector at the end of 1988-89 and the programme if any drawn up to clear the backlog to the maximum by the end of the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS ■ (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM); (a) to (c) There has been no shortage of candidates belonging to SCs and STS for appointment • against the notified vacancies in the services to which recruitments are made on the basis of the results of the Civil Ser- . vioes Examinations. There was no shortage of SC|ST candidates in the' recruitments made in the Indian Forest. Service. The recruitment years are treated as calendar years and the unfilled reservations computed a3 o,n 31st of December of each calendar year. The position regarding vacancies reserved for the Scheduled Castes ->nd Scheduled Tribes respectively and the appointments made as on 1.1.87 and 1.1.38 is enclosed as Annexure. *[See Appendix* CLI, Annexure No. 157]

As services under the State Government faHl in the State list in the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, recruitment to these services are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the State Governments. In resoect of vacancies under the Central Government a Special Recruitment Drive has been launched from 1.6.89 to clear carrier forward reservations Us on 30.4.89 in varions Ministries iDenartmertts of the Government of India and their attached and subordinate offices. According to the information available as on 28.6.89. about 27,000 vacancies in Central Government posts have been identified by various Min. istriesjDepartments for the purpose of undertaking the Special Recruitment Drive, The recruitment is to be completed by 31-8-89 except in the case of Ministry of Railways who will complete the task by 30-9-89.

Allocation of Fund to the Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Council

@2672-D. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Darjeeling Gorkha Hill Council has submitted any proposal for allocation of fund for the development of Darjeeling Hill areas; and

(b) if so, what are the details of proposal and how much fund has so far been allocated and released?

' THE MINISTER' OF PLANNING AND .THE, MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRl MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(bf) The outlays as proposed by the State Government with the concurrance of the Darjeeling Gorkha Hil! Council for their Annual Plan 1989-90 and as agreed to by the Planning Commission are indicated sector-wise in the Statement enclosed. *(See* below) The agreed outlay of Rs. 60.00 crores for the plan is to be financed to the extent of Rs. 41.25 crores from out of the approved annual plan outlay of Rs. 1115 crores for 1989-90 of West Bengal and the remaining through Special Central Assistance of Rs 18.75 crores. Request for release o'f Special Central Assistance is yet to be received from th* State Government.

(2) Previously Unstarred Question 3060, transferred from the 19th August, 1989.